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TO: COMMERCIAL SPECKLED TROUT BUYERS AND HARVESTERS

FROM: VIRGINIA MARINE RESOURCES COMMISSION

RE: 2023/2024 COMMERCIAL SPECKLED TROUT QUOTA

Effective 6:00 P.M., Friday, October 13, 2023, the 2023/2024 Virginia directed commercial speckled trout fishery will close. Based upon landing reports from Virginia seafood buyers and speckled trout harvesters, it is projected that Virginia will have harvested and landed 100% of the 51,104 pound quota.

Therefore, after 6:00 P.M. on Friday, October 13, 2023, it shall be unlawful for any commercial fisherman registration licensee to take, harvest, land, or possess more than the daily incidental catch limit for the remainder of the fishing year.

The daily incidental catch limit shall be 50 pounds of speckled trout per licensee aboard the vessel, not to exceed 100 pounds per vessel (Chapter 4VAC 20-280-10 et seq.).

This commercial speckled trout fishery will remain open as an incidental catch fishery until the 2024/2025 season opens September 1, 2024.

If you have any questions or comments please contact Jill Ramsey at:
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